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SELECTMEN'S REPORT,

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VALUATION OF TOWN OF STODDARD, APRIL 1, 1902.

Resident invoice,	$128,760 00
Non-resident invoice,	54,422 00

Amount required to be raised by taxation, A. D. 1902, was as follows:

State tax,	$331 50
County tax,	376 44
Town tax,	800 00
Highway tax,	1,000 00
School tax,	668 00
Schoolhouse tax,	150 00
Library tax,	29 10
	$3,355 04
Overlay,	125 41
Amount assessed,	$3,480 45

Rate per cent on $100, $1.90.

Number polls, 104,	$10,400 00
Number horses, 162,	9,022 00
Number oxen, 24,	1,358 00
Number cows, 165,	4,112 00
Number neat stock, 52,	836 00
Number sheep, 119,	296 00

ASSESSMENT AND TAXES.

RESIDENT.

	Valuation.	Taxes.
Abbott, Ella E.	$1,242	$23 60
Anderson, Benjamin	100	1 90
Annis, Frank	100	1 90
Arms, Edward G.	100	1 90
Blanchard, Daniel	558	10 60
Blanchard, Will	100	1 90
Barrett, Martin H.	340	6 46
Bentote, Ann	124	2 36
Blood, Abby, heirs of	100	1 90
Brown, Elmer E.	100	1 90
Burns, Thomas J.	100	1 90
Bumford, Arthur	100	1 90
Bumford, Lula	60	1 14
Blood, Charles E.	100	1 90
Crossman, Frank	100	1 90
Cutter, Charles X.	670	12 73
Cutter, Frankie, heirs of	500	9 50
Cutter, Arthur E.	1,328	25 23
Cutter, James D.	2,164	41 12
Cutter, Leon J.	42	80
Corey, Alvah H.	1,024	19 46
Corey, George A.	100	1 90
Cook, Walter F.	370	7 03
Congregational Society,	200	3 80
Cabot, Louis	1,800	34 20
Cabot, Louis	700	13 30
Devine, John	100	1 90
Dodge, Harry	100	1 90
Davis, Martin A.	400	7 60
Everett, Nathan B.	552	10 49
Everett, Armory F.	100	1 90
Foster & Robinson,	5,000	95 00
Foster & Robinson,	2,000	38 00
Griffiths, George B.	1,462	27 78
Griffiths, Henry W.	100	1 90

	Valuation.	Taxes.
Gilmore, Harvey	$100	$1 90
Green, George W.	300	5 70
Gilman, Fred	1,112	21 13
Gero, Alic	100	1 90
Hobbs, William A.	754	14 33
Harrington, Cordelia L.	600	11 40
Hodgkiss, Arthur T.	100	1 90
Hale, John D.	370	7 03
Holland, Robert	754	14 33
Holland, John W.	180	3 42
Holland, Albert H.	340	6 46
Holland, R. & J. W.	300	5 70
Howe, William W.	100	1 90
Hodgman, Paschal P.	1,752	33 29
Hodgman, Wesley P.	100	1 90
Hadley, Jonas	670	12 73
Hale, Lafayette	100	1 90
Holmes, Henry G.	480	9 12
Holmes, Oscar	120	2 28
Hart, Amon P.	150	2 85
Hassett, Daniel	100	1 90
Hoit, J. D., estate	3,850	73 15
Hale, Pheroba A., heirs of	50	95
Ingalls, Philadelphia P.	568	10 79
Jefts, Benjamin F.	636	12 08
Jefts, George R.	492	9 35
Jefts, Charles P.	1,442	27 40
Jennings, Fred	150	2 85
Jennings, Arthur E.	220	4 18
Johnson, ——	100	1 90
Jordan, Edwin	120	2 28
Kibbey, Harry	100	1 90
Kibbey, Maud	80	1 52
Keho, Peter	100	1 90
Knowlton, Ruel B.	600	11 40
Knight, Frank H.	100	1 90
Keyes, W. A.	118	2 24

	Valuation.	Taxes.
Keyes, Jennie A.	$650	$12 35
Lane, George H.	14	27
Lynch, Luke L.	950	18 05
Larmay, Eliza	442	8 46
Mosher, Henry E.	758	14 40
Minard, Sarah E.	280	5 32
Messinger, E. W.	120	2 28
Messinger, Henry E.	1,500	34 50
Martin, George W.	100	1 90
Murdock, Henry M.	100	1 90
Montford, J. T. W.	100	1 90
McClure, Cummings B.	1,106	21 02
Merrill, Charles H.	1,274	24 21
Montford, Tenney	422	8 02
Merrill, Myra L.	2,000	38 00
Miller, Adolphe	100	1 90
Morse, Jane, heirs of	1,000	19 00
Marshall, F. E.	816	15 50
Massasault, Moses	1,200	28 80
Moorhouse & Dunn	2,250	42 75
Moody, Willard B.	250	4 75
McCloud, Daniel	100	1 90
Nichols, Albert L.	150	2 85
O'Neil, Christopher	938	17 82
Pollard, Walter S.	144	2 74
Pollard, Martha	140	2 66
Pepper, Frank M.	100	1 90
Pierce, Harriet	320	6 08
Page, Charles E.	100	1 90
Page, Maud A.	660	12 54
Reed, George F.	100	1 90
Reed, Jonas P., heirs of	1,150	21 85
Reed, Frederick S.	100	1 90
Reed, George E.	2,410	45 79
Reed, Joseph A.	150	2 85
Reed, Frank J.	1,960	37 24
Reed, Albert B.	1,914	36 66

	Valuation.	Taxes.
Reed, Henry W.	$792	$15 05
Robb, William W.	526	9 99
Rice, Stephen	100	1 90
Rice, John	100	1 90
Ramper, Peter	100	1 90
Richardson, George	444	8 44
Rice, Josiah M., heirs of	450	8 55
Robb, Mary, heirs of	300	5 70
Stevens, James H.	1,474	28 01
Stevens, John G.	100	1 90
Stevens, Alba L.	100	1 90
Stacy, Pamelia	800	15 20
Shedd, Willie E.	1,800	34 20
Scott, John	60	1 14
Simonds, Harriett	300	5 70
Shoults, Henry	1,050	19 95
Shoults, Frank L.	274	5 21
Shoults, Fred	100	1 90
Sweeney, Joseph	826	15 69
Sweeney, Joseph, Jr.	144	2 74
Smith, Elias B.	622	11 82
Spaulding, Levi P.	1,980	37 62
Spaulding, Henry E.	2,404	45 68
Spaulding, Henry E., in keeping	120	2 28
Smith, Erastus	330	6 27
Smith, Hermon A.	260	4 94
Smith, Daniel E.	262	4 98
Stoddard Lumber Co.	30,492	579 35
Stowell, J. E.	800	15 20
Spaulding, Levi P.	500	9 50
Stone, Peter G.	100	1 90
Steel, Charles	180	3 42
Stacy, Eben, heirs of	200	3 80
Sharron, Wm. E.	198	3 76
Smith, Charles W.	3,392	64 45
Sautter, Nellie	300	5 70
Shafer, Richard F.	100	1 90

	Valuation.	Taxes.
Taylor, Oliver G.	$124	$2 36
Taylor, Edward C.	100	1 90
Tripp & Tennant,	3,400	64 60
Thurston, Charles W.	330	6 27
Thurston, Harriet	266	5 05
Trask, Charles H.	140	2 66
Tasker, Joseph O.	60	1 14
Taylor, Allie	100	1 90
Thingstead,	100	1 90
VanBrocklin, Warren N.	136	2 58
VanTassel, Sumner	100	1 90
Whittemore, Joel F.	1,080	20 52
Wallace, Sarah and Charlotte	410	7 79
Wilson, Harry	1,612	30 63
Wilson, Henry	2,170	41 23
Woodward, George S.	100	1 90
Waldron, Harry J.	396	7 52
Whittier, Jonathan, heirs of	500	9 50
Worcester, Wilber D.	644	12 24
Worcester, Owen	120	2 28
Worcester, Daniel P.	100	1 90
Waldron, Homer J.	100	1 90
Waldron, Ellen	100	1 90
Wright, W. E.	350	6 65
Wellman, Israel P.	200	3 80
Wellman, George	50	95
Williams, Arthur	130	2 47
Whittemore, Francis A.	450	8 50
Wilkins, C. S.	750	14 25
Wilkinson, Harry	100	1 90
Whipple, James W.	1,100	20 90
Young, Toney W.	100	1 90

NON-RESIDENT.

Brown, Rodney J.	$150	$2 85
Barrett, Mrs. F. B. and Mrs. F. Wilson	200	3 80
Burnap, James, heirs of	310	5 89

	Valuation.	Taxes.
Burnap, Abbie F.	$300	$5 70
Barrett, Lund	900	17 10
Brockway, Hiram	500	9 50
Boyd, James	750	14 25
Bass, Eben	400	7 60
Blanchard, Joseph	100	1 90
Brown, Samuel O.	30	57
Bailey, Mark M.	50	95
Bates, Charles A.	80	1 52
Ball, Dexter, heirs of	76	1 44
Barker, Geo. F.	100	1 90
Bigsby, Ephraim	50	95
Butler, Mary	700	13 30
Chapin, W. H.	300	5 70
Cheeney, Charles E.	300	5 70
Chellis, Burt	1,200	22 80
Cashion, Michael	400	7 60
Curtis, John M., heirs	350	6 65
Chapman, Joseph	600	11 40
Comstock, Geo. W.	82	1 55
Carr, Nicholas, heirs of	900	17 10
Conn, Chester A.	300	5 70
Cheever, William L.	200	3 80
Cummings, H.	1,550	29 45
Colony, L. J., Chair Co.	380	7 22
Cabot, Louis	3,176	60 34
Carlton, Joseph G.	200	3 80
Cutter, Albert O.	150	2 85
Collins, John	150	2 85
Curtice, Hannah A.	600	11 40
Craig, Rockwell F.	570	10 83
Comstock, Fred J.	50	95
Davis, Geo. F.	50	95
Davis, Fred A.	300	5 70
Davis, Frank E.	100	1 90
Dodge, John G.	100	1 90
Dodge, Perley H.	130	2 47

	Valuation.	Taxes.
Dodge, Edward B.	$600	$11 40
Dupree, Joseph	20	38
Dinsmore, John E., heirs of	40	76
Davis, Perley L.	300	5 70
Elliott, W. H.	200	3 80
Farley, Frank B.	500	9 50
Fairfield, Charles	500	9 50
Fox, Perley E.	600	11 40
Fox, Catherine	100	1 90
Fox, Edward A.	224	4 26
Friend, W. D. and F. W.	300	5 70
Fifield, Frank L.	100	1 90
Faulkner, James M.	500	9 50
Fletcher, Gilman P.	498	9 47
Green & Allen	80	1 52
Green, Sidney A., heirs of	150	2 85
Goodale, Asa, heirs of	2,100	39 90
Giffin, Edward	200	3 80
Holt, Geo. W.	24	46
Hastings, Thomas	1,276	24 24
Hardy, Leon	100	1 90
Harris, W. H.	150	2 85
Hubbard, Henry W.	1,000	19 00
Holt, Almon W.	26	49
Howard, James M.	900	17 10
Hale, Henry H.	260	4 94
Hathorn, Gertrude	130	2 47
Horton, A. M.	200	3 80
Harvey, Jonas H.	400	7 60
Howes, Maria A.	350	6 65
Hastings, Wm., heirs of	230	4 37
Holt, Israel P.	550	10 45
Hager, A. P.	500	9 50
Johnson, Myron E.	200	3 80
Joslin, Luke	300	5 70
Jones, Cynthia, heirs of	70	1 33
Knight, Sumner	700	13 30

	Valuation.	Taxes.
Kingsbury, Andrew J.	$200	$3 80
Leach, Geo. H., heirs of	266	5 05
Lawley, Geo.	900	17 10
Loveland, I. A.	150	2 85
McClure, Hannah, heirs of	874	16 61
Morse, Edward	80	1 52
Mason, Arthur	1,000	19 00
Mason, Geo. L.	60	1 14
Mansfield, Geo.	40	76
McIntire, Geo. W.	1,902	36 15
Martin, A. H. and others	100	1 90
Maloney, Wm. E.	150	2 85
Nichols, D. N.	150	2 85
Newell, Eva	20	38
Nims, Augustus, heirs of	40	76
Nims, Charles	150	2 85
Nash & Bates	250	4 75
Otis, Charles	60	1 14
O'Neil, Christopher, Jr.	40	76
Peterboro Savings Bank	500	9 50
Perham, Joel	1,002	19 03
Perry, A. M.	300	5 70
Perry, Edward B.	200	3 80
Pond, O. H.	50	95
Prentiss, John W.	50	95
Phelps, Elbridge	50	95
Russell, Frank	300	5 70
Russell, Geo. M.	800	15 20
Rugg, Daniel W.	120	2 28
Ross, James L.	200	3 80
Robbins, Levi, heirs of	300	5 70
Scott, James H.	200	3 80
Scott, J. H. and Walter	16	30
Sheldon, Charles M.	280	5 32
Smith, Sherburn D.	408	7 75
Shea, Thomas W.	100	1 90
Skinner, A. B., heirs of	450	8 55

	Valuation.	Taxes.
Smith, Jonas	$250	$4 75
Smith, Cyrus and Calvin	350	6 65
Santesson, Carl J. E.	600	11 40
Shepardson, Geo.	50	95
Stevens, Charles, heirs of	450	8 55
Stevenson, W. H.	50	95
Tucker, Susan D.	130	2 47
Tyrrel, Thomas, heirs of	100	1 90
Tarbox, Ursula	700	13 30
Tyler, Benjamin F.	300	5 70
Taylor, Henry D.	100	1 90
Temple, Melvin	540	10 26
Tripp, Warren	1,220	23 18
Taylor, John, heirs of	300	5 70
Thurston, James E.	200	3 80
Upton, Edward E.	700	13 30
Upton, Daniel D.	874	16 61
Whittemore, Joshua, heirs of	1,000	19 00
Whittier, Daniel, heirs of	350	6 65
Weston, William	418	7 94
Wilson, Henry E.	100	1 90
Wilson, James H.	450	8 55
Williams, Andrew J., heirs of	250	4 75
Woods, Henry	400	7 60
Webster, Fred	450	8 55
Wheaton, Timothy	400	7 60
Wright, John, heirs of	40	76
Ward & Rand	30	57

RECEIPTS.

Cash in treasury, Feb., 1902,	$462 98
County, for support of poor,	123 48
W. A. Hobbs, tax, 1900,	1 75
H. E. Messinger, dog license, 1901,	9 80

Town clerk, dog license, 1902,	$93 00
S. A. Carter, savings bank tax,	163 27
S. A. Carter, literary fund,	37 00
Tax, costs and interest, E. Stacy heirs, 1901,	3 76
Tax, costs and interest, Hannah McClure heirs, 1901,	15 00
W. P. Hodgman, taxes, 1901,	674 65
W. P. Hodgman, interest on taxes, 1901,	8 00
W. P. Hodgman, taxes, 1902,	2,109 00
J. F. Whittemore, use of hall, 1902,	24 50
J. F. Whittemore, tax of 1899,	1 80
W. B. Moody, error in deposit,	1 00
Grange, rent of hall, 1901,	12 00
W. H. Chapin, amount due old cemetery fund,	1 12
	$3,742 11

DISBURSEMENTS.

INTEREST ON TOWN NOTES.

W. E. Shedd,	$21 00
P. P. Hodgman,	12 43
Mrs. S. A. Hodgman,	3 00
W. P. Hodgman,	3 75
Henry Wilson,	9 00
	$49 18

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

S. A. Carter, state tax,	$331 50
W. L. Mason, county tax,	376 44
	$707 94

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

C. B. McClure, school treasurer,	$705 00

SUPPORT OF POOR.

J. D. Cutter, overseer,	$120 77

LIBRARY.

J. F. Whittemore,	$29 10

REPAIRING SCHOOLHOUSES.

C. B. McClure,	$100 00

DAMAGE DONE BY DOGS.

James D. Cutter,	$24 00
W. E. Sharron,	3 76

REPAIRS IN OLD CEMETERY.

Paid J. F. Whittemore,	$5 50

BREAKING ROADS IN 1902.

H. E. Spalding,	$17 43
J. D. Cutter,	6 75
Henry Moshier,	4 95
A. K. Williams,	4 05
Daniel Blanchard,	24 25
Joseph Sweeney,	2 40

F. A. Gilman,	$20 85
A. E. Cutter,	4 50
Harry Wilson,	6 00
Joseph A. Reed,	1 00
B. F. Jefts,	3 45
John Howe,	1 87
W. S. Pollard,	60
A. H. Holland,	2 05
Erastus Smith,	7 80
F. M. Pepper,	2 93
D. E. Swett,	4 55
H. W. Hoit,	12 75
F. E. Marshall,	3 00
A. B. Reed,	1 80
W. E. Sharron,	1 20
F. J. Reed,	1 64
J. D. Hale,	1 50
Peter Keho,	1 05
John Larmay,	1 05
Geo. B. Griffiths,	1 35
Henry Wallace,	90
	$141 67

BREAKING ROADS IN 1903.

A. B. Reed,	$4 20
J. W. T. Mountford,	60
J. D. Cutter,	3 30
J. D. Hale,	2 10
H. E. Spalding,	25 20
Geo. B. Griffiths,	2 10
J. F. Whittemore,	1 95
C. P. Jefts,	2 55
	$42 00

REPAIRING HIGHWAYS.

Harry Wilson,	$13 65
W. A. Hobbs,	2 55
J. D. Cutter,	6 62
J. D. Cutter,	73 00
Harry Wilson,	81 19
C. P. Jefts,	68 93
Geo. R. Jefts,	39 72
A. B. Reed,	43 80
George Lane,	66 67
Willie E. Shedd,	35 40
J. D. Cutter,	39 38
A. E. Cutter,	30 10
F. J. Reed,	10 86
W. A. Hobbs, washout, Shedd hill,	9 30
J. F. Whittemore, washout, Washington road,	13 37
C. X. Cutter,	70 75
C. H. Merrill, work for Jefts, 1901,	19 00
C. H. Merrill, plank and timber,	118 04
C. H. Merrill, labor,	79 45
Harry Wilson,	25 45
A. E. Cutter,	13 50
A. B. Reed,	12 00
Harry Wilson,	17 75
George R. Jefts,	6 90
John D. Hale,	1 50
George H. Lane,	2 00
Harry Wilson,	26 64
Carl D. Abbott,	4 80
George A. Corey,	2 40
W. A. Hobbs,	2 40
C. O'Neil,	1 95
Harry Wilson,	2 35
Geo. B. Griffiths, gravel,	2 00
George R. Jefts,	12 28
A. B. Reed,	4 50
C. P. Jefts, plank,	1 50

A. H. Corey,	$0 75
J. D. Cutter,	4 05
J. F. Whittemore,	3 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

Sentinel Printing Co., reports,	$24 00
G. F. Reed, postage and express,	52
C. H. Merrill, damage on highway, 1901,	9 00
C. H. Merrill, keeping stage team, 1901,	3 50
A. B. Skinner, dynamite, caps and fuse,	6 38
Wm. Robb, returning births and deaths,	1 75
C. P. Jefts, shingles,	1 90
G. H. Lane, work on hall,	2 50
W. H. Spalter, stationery,	6 82
J. F. Whittemore, supplies for hall,	3 04
J. F. Whittemore, 2 cords wood for hall,	7 00
Geo. F. Reed, recording and returning births and deaths,	5 10
Geo. F. Reed, book, postage and express,	4 59
C. B. McClure, adminstrator,	3 00
W. P. Hodgman, cost of advertising,	7 20
	$86 30

SERVICES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

J. F. Whittemore, auditor,	$1 50
Geo. B. Griffith, ballot clerk,	2 00
Geo. A. Corey, ballot clerk,	2 00
Arthur Hodgkiss, supervisor,	8 00
E. W. Messinger, health officer,	13 97
E. W. Messinger, supervisor,	9 00
E. W. Messinger, moderator,	4 00
A. H. Holland, supervisor,	6 50
J. D. Cutter, overseer of poor,	15 00
E. B. Smith, health officer,	5 00

George F. Reed, town clerk,	$25 00
George F. Reed, treasurer,	20 00
Henry Wilson, selectman,	55 00
J. F. Whittemore, selectman,	52 00
W. A. Hobbs, selectman,	46 00
J. Morris Cutter, ballot clerk,	2 00
E. C. Taylor, ballot clerk,	2 00
J. F. Whittemore, janitor of hall,	11 50
Ella E. Abbott, school board,	12 00
W. A. Hobbs, school board,	10 00
W. P. Hodgman, commission on taxes,	41 75
	$344 22

TOWN NOTES OUTSTANDING.

Willie E. Shedd, with interest from Jan. 1,	$700 00
Paschal P. Hodgman, with interest,	100 00
Wesley P. Hodgman, with interest,	100 00
Susan A. Hodgman, with interest,	100 00
Paschal P. Hodgman, interest from Nov. 24,	264 25
Henry Wilson, interest from Nov. 24,	300 00
Wesley P. Hodgman, interest from Jan. 1,	25 00
Paschal P. Hodgman, interest from Jan. 1,	50 00
	$1,639 25

TAXES ABATED.

Book 1900:		
Gabriel, Fred	$1 46	
Keho, Peter	1 46	
Messenger, Herbert E.	1 46	
Still, Stephen	1 75	
Waldron, Harry J.	3 89	
		$10 02

Book of 1902:		
Everett, Amory F.	$1 90	
Jordon, Edwin	2 28	
Charles P. Jefts, overtax,	3 80	
James Boid heirs, overtax,	8 55	
		$16 53
		$26 55

TRUST FUNDS HELD BY TOWN.

Old cemetery fund, interest from April 1, 3½ per cent,	$250 00
Stevens cemetery fund, interest from April 1, 3½ per cent,	250 00
	$500 00

RECAPITULATION.

To funds received from all sources,	$3,742 11

SELECTMEN, CR.

Paid interest on town notes,	49 18
State and county taxes,	707 94
Support of schools,	705 00
Support of poor,	120 77
Library,	29 10
Repairing schoolhouses,	100 00
Damage done by dogs,	27 76
Work in old cemetery,	5 50
Repairing highways,	969 50
Breaking roads in 1902,	141 67
Breaking roads in 1903,	42 00
Miscellaneous bills,	86 30
Services of town officers,	344 22
	$3,328 94

LIABILITIES.

Due on town notes,	$1,639 25
Due cemetery fund, interest,	53 75
Due cemetery fund,	500 00
Due school district, for schooling,	67 35
Due school district, for repairs,	50 00
Due C. H. Trask, janitor in 1901,	15 00
	$2,325 35

ASSETS.

Due on collector's book, taxes 1902,	$1,421 32
Due from James G. Birtwell, taxes '97, '98, '99,	60 45
Due from Henry Mosher, tax 1900 sold to town,	13 50
Due from Perley L. Davis, tax 1900 sold to town,	7 44
Due from Cleon D. Towne, tax 1900 sold to town,	3 35
Due from Hannah A. Curtis, tax 1900 sold to town,	11 08
Due from Hannah A. Curtis, tax '98 sold to town,	18 50
Due from Hannah A. Curtis, tax '02 sold to town,	14 44
Due from county, for support of poor,	27 00
Due from subscribers, for Granite lake road,	45 50
Due from C. H. Trask, use of hall, 1901,	28 00
Due from Forest grange, for use of hall, 1902,	12 00
Due from cash in treasury, Feb. 15, 1903,	413 17
	$2,075 75
Total liabilities,	$2,325 35
Total assets,	2,075 75
Debt of town,	$249 60
Reduction of debt,	$495 62

HENRY WILSON,
J. F. WHITTEMORE,
W. A. HOBBS,
Selectmen.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash received from former treasurer,	$462 98
County, for support of poor,	123 48
W. A. Hobbs, tax, 1900,	1 75
H. E. Messinger, dog licenses, 1901,	9 80
Town clerk, dog license, 1902,	93 00
S. A. Carter, savings bank tax,	163 27
S. A. Carter, literary fund,	37 00
Tax cost and interest, land sold town,	18 76
W. P. Hodgman, taxes, 1901,	674 65
W. P. Hodgman, interest,	8 00
W. P. Hodgman, taxes, 1902,	2,109 00
J. F. Whittemore, use of hall,	24 50
Tax of 1899,	1 80
W. B. Moody, error,	1 00
Grange, rent of hall, 1901,	12 00
W. H. Chapin, amount due from cemetery fund,	1 12
	$3,742 11

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid interest on town notes,	$49 18
S. A. Carter, state tax,	331 50
W. L. Mason, county tax,	376 44
On orders of selectmen,	2,571 82
	$3,328 94
Total amount of receipts,	$3,742 11
Total amount of disbursements,	3,328 94
Balance in hands of treasurer,	$413 17

OVERSEER'S REPORT.

Paid Amanda M. Wells, county charge,	$71 00
Mrs. Bingham and children,	42 27
8 tramps, town charge,	5 50
Doctor Robb, one visit,	2 00
	$120 77
Received of town treasurer,	$120 77
Due from the county,	$27 00

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES D. CUTTER,
Overseer of Poor.

Report of Secretary and Treasurer of Library Trustees,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1903.

We have purchased 23 books and received of Rev. Samuel Gerould 10 volumes. Nearly all have been put on the shelves in place of paper covered books.

We have had new catalogues printed, no paper covered books being included.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Cash on hand, March 1, 1902,	$8 01
Received for catalogues and fines,	44
Received from town treasurer,	29 10
	$37 55
Amount paid out:	
Jordan, Marsh & Co., for 23 books,	$21 14
Miss Eva Holmes, librarian,	9 00
Incidentals, including express,	94
W. G. Ballou, for catalogues,	7 00
	$38 08
Amount received,	$37 55
Amount due me,	$ 0 53

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. WHITTEMORE.

The trustees would recommend that a list of books added to the library be printed in the annual report, thus saving a new catalogue for some time.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD.

Fellow Citizens of Stoddard:

Again it becomes our duty to report to you the condition and progress of our schools for another year.

No new or unusual conditions have arisen during the year, but the same perplexing problems confront the school board in an ever increasing degree. The difficulty of securing efficient and satisfactory teachers, the decreasing school population, scattered over a large area of territory necessitating the providing of conveyance, and the schooling of some in adjoining towns, are a few of the situations to be met.

Three different schools have been maintained in town, divided into two terms for each school, and aggregating 66 8/10 weeks.

Five different teachers have been employed. The total number of pupils registered was 61, and eight have been schooled out of town as follows: 2 in Marlow, 4 in Sullivan, and 2 in Antrim, the latter for a short time only. The cost of tuition is 30c per week in Marlow, and 40c in Sullivan, for each pupil. Besides these, two scholars have been out of town to an academy and a high school, as the law provides.

The sum of $55.00 has been paid for conveying scholars, as will appear from the report of the treasurer. In the payment for conveying, the school board make no pretense of allowing for the actual cost, but proceed on the belief that parents have a duty and a responsibility of their own, and the amount allowed from the school funds is a help, and not a full recompense. The board are pleased to say that they have been met in this spirit.

It is our earnest wish that all parents would take a deeper interest in our schools, visit them, encourage the teacher, and endeavor to have their children prompt and regular in attendance. The evils of tardiness and irregular attendance have often been pointed out, but the remedy must be found in the homes. Sixty-one pupils, and one hundred and sixty tardy marks! Is comment necessary? Of course the great majority are innocent, but the reproach rests upon the whole through the faults of a few. It is noticeable that the tardy marks are against the names of those who do *not* live the farthest from the schoolhouse.

At the spring enumeration the number of children between the ages of 5 and 16 years reported by the truant officer was 66; 36 boys, and 30 girls.

In the purchase of text books and supplies the school board have bought only what was needed, and have made no change in text books. It is hoped a newer edition of geography will be introduced the ensuing year.

Repairs have been made upon the three schoolhouses. The most extensive on the one in Division No. 2. Each of the others has been painted and some new windows put in. A detailed report of the schools is as follows:

School No. 1—Centre.

The summer term of ten weeks was taught by Miss Julia E. Connolly of Brookline, Mass, a teacher of experience, and one who came well recommended. She labored faithfully and conscientiously, but her unfamiliarity with country schools was unfavorable to her success. Number of pupils registered, 36. Tardy marks, 38. 33 attended to reading, spelling, penmanship and arithmetic, 23 to geography and grammar, 9 to history, 6 physiology, 3 bookkeeping, 2 algebra, and 2 botany. Number of visits by school board, 9, by citizens and others, 38. Roll of honor, 5. Wages of teacher per month, $30.

For the fall term the board were fortunate in securing the services of Miss Bessie L. Simonds of Antrim. Miss

Simonds proved herself capable and well fitted for her work. The school was harmonious and good progress was made. Number of pupils registered, 28. Number of tardy marks, 41. All attended to reading and penmanship, 26 spelling and arithmetic, 25 geography, 19 grammar, and one history. Length of term, 12 weeks. Visits by school board, 10, by citizens and others, 34. Pupils on roll of honor, 2. Wages of teacher per month, $32.

DIVISION NO. 2—(NEAR MR. POLLARD'S).

Both terms of this school were taught by Miss Lillian Murray, whose conduct of the school was satisfactory to the school board. The school is small and there is not the incentive to work and effort to either teacher or pupils that there is in a school of larger size. The wages of teacher per month was $24 for both terms. Spring term, number of pupils registered 7. Tardy marks 7. All attended to reading, penmanship and arithmetic, 4 spelling and drawing, 6 geography, 2 grammar and 1 history, composition, physiology and algebra. Visits by school board 3, by citizens and others 12, pupils on roll of honor 3, length of term in weeks 10 4-5.

Fall term, number of pupils registered 5. Number of tardy marks 2. All studied reading, penmanship and arithmetic, 4 spelling, 2 geography and grammar, and 1 history and algebra. Length of school 10 weeks. Number of visits by school board 5, by citizens and others 10. Pupils on roll of honor 3.

DIVISION NO. 3—SOUTH STODDARD.

The spring term of eleven weeks was taught by Miss A. Lillian Parker of Plaistow, N. H., who succeeded very well and met the requirements of a teacher in a satisfactory manner. Number of pupils registered 17, number of tardy marks 26. All attended to reading, penmanship and arithmetic, 15 spelling, 11 geography and composition, 10 grammar, 3 history, and 1 algebra. Visits by school

board 6, by citizens and others 48. Pupils on roll of honor, 0. Wages of teacher per month, $31.

The fall term of twelve weeks was taught by Miss Helen F. Barnes of Worcester, Mass. This is another case where a teacher from the city has not made herself popular in a country school. Various small faults, trivial in themselves, were enlarged upon, and the seeds of discord sowed by some of the parents. In their visits to the school, the school board saw much to commend and nothing of any moment to condemn. The discipline was good, the methods of instruction of the right character, and the examination conclusively showed good progress made in the different studies. Number of pupils registered 14. Number of tardy marks 49. All attended to reading, penmanship, arithmetic and drawing, 12 spelling, 10 geography, 9 grammar, 7 composition, 3 history. Number of visits by school board 7, by citizens and others 10. Roll of honor, 0. Wages of teacher per month, $31.

The number of tardy marks have been put down in the hope that the attention of parents will be caught, and an effort made to blot out this evil in future years.

We find the following names on the

ROLL OF HONOR.

For the year—Maude E. Hobbs, Hattie H. Thurston, Louis C. Pollard, Almus W. Pollard, Lucretia M. Abbott.

For one term—Dora Marshall, Bertha Whippie, Homer Crossman.

Respectfully submitted by

CUMMINGS B. McCLURE, for
CUMMINGS B. McCLURE,
ELLA E. ABBOTT,
WILLIAM A. HOBBS,
School Board.

REPORT OF SCHOOL TREASURER.

RECEIPTS.

Received from Henry E. Messinger,	$7 16
Received from town treasurer,	50 00
Received from town treasurer,	240 00
Received from town treasurer,	100 00
Received from town treasurer,	215 00
Received from town treasurer,	100 00
Total amount received,	$712 16

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid W. D. Worcester, kindling wood,	$1 00
For repairing clock,	50
Town of Sullivan, tuition in 1901,	30 40
A. Lillian Parker, teacher,	55 00
Marinda Robb, boarding teacher,	30 25
Lillian Murray, teacher,	43 20
Mrs. E. E. Abbott, boarding teacher,	22 00
Lucretia Abbott, care of schoolhouse,	1 10
Miss Julia E. Connolly, teacher,	50 00
Mrs. Cornelia Harrington, boarding teacher,	25 00
Mrs. S. A. McClure, cleaning schoolroom,	1 00
C. B. McClure, work and supplies,	1 40
Mrs. Ella E. Abbott, cleaning schoolroom,	1 00
Leon J. Cutter, janitor,	75
Mrs. E. E. Abbott, 3 cords wood in shed,	12 00
Bessie L. Simonds, teacher,	66 00
Mrs. Cornelia Harrington, boarding teacher,	30 00

Chester Whippie, janitor,	$1 00
Mrs. Della A. Hale, conveying scholar,	10 00
W. A. Hobbs, amount paid for work on wood,	2 00
W. A. Hobbs, express and supplies,	60
C. X. Cutter, for cord slab wood,	2 00
Lillian Murray, teaching and board,	60 00
Lucretia M. Abbott, care of schoolhouse,	1 00
Helen F. Barnes, teaching and board,	93 00
Earl Larimy, janitor,	1 25
Leon Shoults, janitor,	1 00
Lucretia Abbott, cleaning schoolroom,	1 00
Elias B. Smith, conveying scholars,	20 00
George E. Reed, conveying scholars,	20 00
Mrs. A. S. Dyer, conveying scholars,	5 00
For record book for school district,	40
Tilton Seminary, tuition for Dora Marshall,	15 00
Town of Marlow, tuition,	13 20
Town of Sullivan, tuition 1902,	40 00
Geo. R. Jefts, work and material,	1 50
	$658 55
Balance due district,	$53 61

REPAIR ACCOUNT.

Received from Geo. F. Reed, balance,	$2 96
Received from town treasurer,	100 00
Received for 1 gal. oil,	65
	$103 51

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid Mrs. E. E. Abbott, oil and paint,	$11 11
Nims, Whitney & Co., blinds,	2 25
R. F. Craig, freight,	50
C. B. McClure, freight,	1 00
C. B. McClure, clapboards,	30
R. F. Craig, clapboards,	1 08

Nims, Whitney & Co., clapboards,	$4 00
C. P. Jefts, work,	9 68
Mrs. E. E. Abbott, shingles, work, etc.,	11 35
Knowlton & Stone, bill,	28 73
Nims, Whitney & Co., 6 windows,	12 00
C. W. Thurston, work,	7 00
J. F. Whittemore, work,	5 10
W. A. Hobbs, freight,	15
G. H. Lane, work,	1 50
W. A. Hobbs, work,	5 32
W. A. Hobbs, cash paid,	1 30
H. C. Wilcox, work,	2 00
A. W. Wilder, work,	1 25
H. H. Hale, work,	4 00
C. B. McClure, work,	3 00
Mrs. E. E. Abbott, for nails,	70
	$113 32
Overpaid,	$9 81

Respectfully submitted,

CUMMINGS B. McCLURE,
Treasurer.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the selectmen, treasurer, overseer of the poor, and treasurer of the school board, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

W. W. ROBB,
ARTHUR T. HODGKISS,
Auditors.

VITAL STATISTICS.

To the Selectmen:

In compliance with an act of the legislature, passed June session, 1887, amended by the legislature of 1899, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the Annual Report," I hereby submit the following:

Births Registered in the Town of Stoddard, N. H., for the Year ending Dec. 31, 1902.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child (if any).	Sex and Condition.			Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
		Male or Female.	Living or Stillborn.	No. of child 1st, 2d, etc.							
Feb. 26		M	L	2	Wm. E. Sharon	Matilda Leavitt	Farmer	Troy, Vt.	Maine	45	33
Mar. 7	Charles W.	M	L	2	George Bingham	Edith Mason	Laborer	Stoddard	Stoddard	20	20
Aug. 10	Mabel A.	F	L	3	Arthur E. Cutter	Helen A. Robb	Teamster	"	"	32	28
" 19	Elva S.	F	L	3	Fred Gilman	Daisy S. Messinger	Farmer	Brownsville, Me.	Athol, Ms.	24	20
Sept. 9	Stella Jane	F	L	3	Henry Mosher	Lizzie Winham	Farmer	Nova Scotia	Marlow	29	26
Nov. 13	Lucellas Charles	M	L	4	Charles W. Thurston	Ruth E. Hart	Painter	Stoddard	Stoddard	31	34
" 30		M	S	1	Owen Worcester	Mary Blanchard	General laborer		So. Stoddard		28

Marriages Registered in the Town of Stoddard, N. H., for the Year ending Dec. 31, 1902.

9 PS Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in years.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Condition.*	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married.
Apr. 21	Stoddard	Edgar G. Arms	Stoddard	38	Teamster	St. Albans, Vt.	George W. Arms Nancy Hurlburt	St. Albans, Vt. Richford, Vt.		J. F. Whittemore [J. P. Stoddard
		Rosy B. Gary	"	26	Housekeeper	Stoddard	James E. Reed Abbie E. Wells	Stoddard Deering		
May 9	Stoddard	Frederick R. Jennings	"	27	Teamster	Devonshire, Eng.	William Jennings Ruth Davey	England England		[J. P. J. F. Whittemore Stoddard
		Flora B. Holmes	"	27	Cook	Stoddard	Henry D. Holmes Alma M. Robbins	Francestown Stoddard		
May 10	Stoddard	Harry F. Wilkinson	"	31	Millman	Sharon	Ezra F. Wilkinson Mary J. Dalbey	Richmond, Ind. "		Rev. J. O. Tasker Stoddard
		Bertha M. Parker	"	18	Housework	Stoddard	Daniel Parker Abbie S. Worcester	Stoddard "		
July 11	Stoddard	Lafayette W. Hale	"	22	Laborer	Arkansas	Jonathan D Hale N. J. Story	Tennessee "		[J. P. J. F. Whittemore Stoddard
		Ethel Howe	"	16	Housemaid	Stoddard	Norman Howe Alice Waldron	Stoddard "		
Nov. 15	Hillsboro B'dge	Harry J. Waldron	"	30	Teamster	Nelson	Albert H. Waldron Fannie B. Howard	Taunton, Ms. Gilsum		Rev. I. C. Brown Hillsboro Bridge
		Lottie M. Litchfield	"	26	Housework	Cambridge, Ms.	B. C. Litchfield Adelaide A. Warren	Cambridge, Ms. "		

* Whether single or widowed. What marriage—whether 1st, 2d, etc.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Stoddard, N. H., for the Year ending Dec. 31, 1902.

Date of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age.			Place of Birth.	Sex and Cond'n		Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
		Years.	Months.	Days.		Male or Female.	S., M., W.*	Father.	Mother.		
Feb. 24	John D. Hoit	43	6	18	Candia	M	S			Launzo Hoit	
Mar. 16	Charles W. Bingham			8	Stoddard	M	S	Stoddard	Stoddard	George Bingham	Edith Mason
Aug. 4	Eugene R. Jeffs	25	7	15	"	M	S	"	Stowe, Ms.	Charles P. Jefts	Hannah M. Carr
Sept. 25	William F. Haskell	74	3	3	Boston, Ms.	M	W				

* Single, married or widowed.

I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript of births, marriages and deaths is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

GEORGE F. REED,
Town Clerk.

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